


without a terminal disclaimer." MPEP §804, I.B.1. Thus, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the provisional double patenting rejection.

In view of these arguments, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below, should she believe that anything further is necessary to place this application in even better form for allowance.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2755 for any fees due in connection with this Amendment. If any time extensions are needed for the timely filing of this Amendment, Applicants petition for such extensions and authorize the charging of Deposit Account No. 13-2755 for the necessary fees.

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